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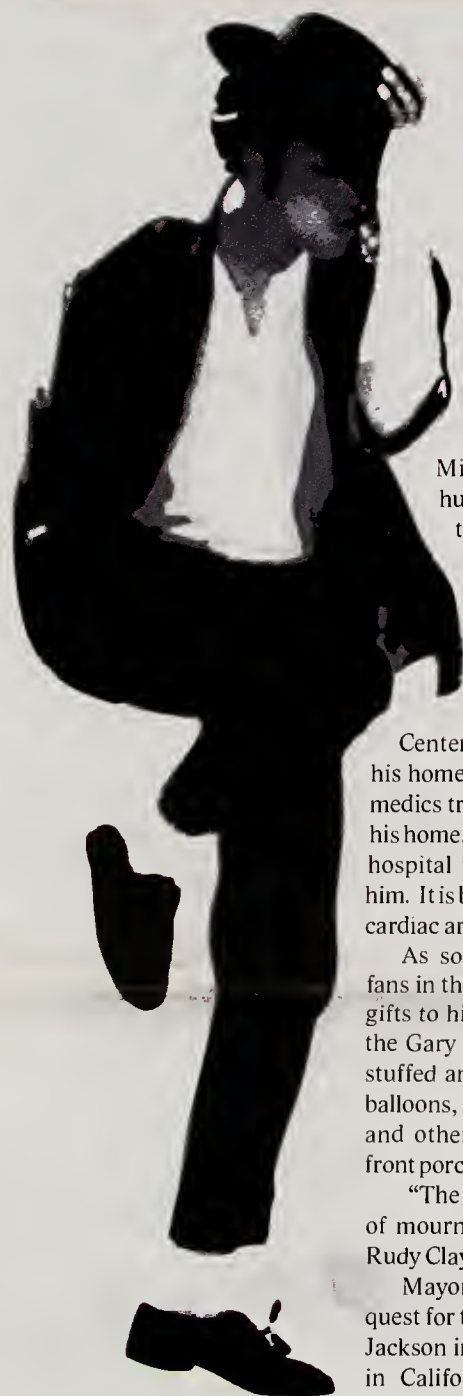
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Michael Jackson lives on in Gary, fan's hearts

Nathyn Gibson
Editor in Chief

As news spread over Michael Jackson's death, hundreds of people flocked to his childhood home in Gary, 2300 Jackson Street, to pay respect to the pop icon.

Jackson was pronounced dead Thursday at UCLA Medical Center after being taken from his homes in Los Angeles. Paramedics tried to resuscitate him at his home, then brought him to the hospital for doctors to work on him. It is believed he suffered from cardiac arrest.

As soon as the news broke, fans in the region started to bring gifts to his doorstep in tribute of the Gary native. Multiple roses, stuffed animals, American flags, balloons, t-shirts, personal letters and other items laid across the front porch of his childhood home.

"The city of Gary is in a state of mourning," said Gary Mayor Rudy Clay in a press release.

Mayor Clay has made a request for the family to lay Michael Jackson in Gary. "While he lived in California, his roots are in

Gary," said Clay.

Angela Burnham from Hammond said she thought someone at work was playing a joke on her when she was told about his death. On the night of the death, Burnham and her family carried a neon green sign in tribute with a quote from Jackson's song "We are the World."

When Milcah Robinson heard the news in her car, she thought it was a rumor at first and was hoping it was false.

"This is seriously the most shocking news I have heard in a long time," said Robinson. Robinson among others lit candles in honor of the "King of Pop."

Cynthia Addison remembers watching him at a talent show when she was younger. "[The city of Gary] was so proud of him ... He was a lovable person."

Michelle Donaldson recalls a time as a kid when she went to a concert at the Mill Theater on her birthday. She ran to the stage, Jackson picked her up and kissed her on the cheek.

"He was the last of the legends," said Donaldson.

"He came from us," Catherine

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Chronicle photo by Nathyn D. Gibson

Fans gather in Gary, outside of Jackson's childhood home at the corner of Jackson Family Blvd and Jackson Street.

Chronicle illustration by Adrian Ramirez

New police chief takes office

Nathyn Gibson
Editor in Chief

As the 2009 spring semester was coming to an end, the new Chief of Police, Anthony Martin, was just beginning his duties at PUC. Martin has been in law enforcement for 38 years.

For the last two years, Martin served as the Chief of Police and Director for Public Safety at Central State University in Ohio.

In the short amount of time since he has been at PUC, Martin said he has already started looking through rules for the best practices for the department.

"Just about everything we do other than breathing is governed by some policy and procedure, because we have so much of an effect on other peoples lives ... police are

not at liberty to do their own thing," Martin said.

When it comes to the police force, Martin wants to ensure that there is enough personnel on duty to provide safety to the students and staff on campus.

"We don't want Purdue University to have an armed campus with police officers on every corner," Martin stated.

Martin says they are looking for new ways to reach students and staff with changes in patrol patterns and how to patrol. One change in patrol patterns will be a transition for police cars to walking and alternative vehicles.

"We want to be visible but not intrusive," he said.

Martin has been asked by students if the department is going to get more police, and he plans on

making a request for more units, but realizes extra police could be a strain on funding.

With a degree in public administration, Martin said he would like to have an opportunity to teach within the next three years.

Former interim Chief of Police, Leo Finnerty has been assigned as an interim detective for the campus. His job will involve criminal investigations, updating the crime log, and working close to the Police Chief. Detective Finnerty was also a detective for the Hobart Police.

Finnerty said he applied for a permanent position.

"It's in Human Resource's hands," said Detective Finnerty.

Finnerty was unable to apply to be a permanent Chief of Police due to not having a degree.



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Anthony Martin is the new Chief of Police

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Gangsta? I think not!



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When living in a certain area, people pick up traits that may pertain to that area. If a person lives in the south, they are bound to pick up a Southern drawl. For people living in Northwest Indiana, we tend to over-extend our "A's." However, there seems to be another trait that has made its way into Northwest Indiana: a sense of entitlement. This entitlement seems to be produced in the younger generation of "Region Rats," and seems to be extending its reach to every corner of the world.

It is no secret that Northwest Indiana has its share of gangs and wannabe "gangsters." Many kids walk around, pants half-way down their legs, hats cocked to the side, spouting an attitude that rivals the likes of music video maven. This sense of entitlement garners more towards the idea of respect, and how people seem to demand it without earning it.

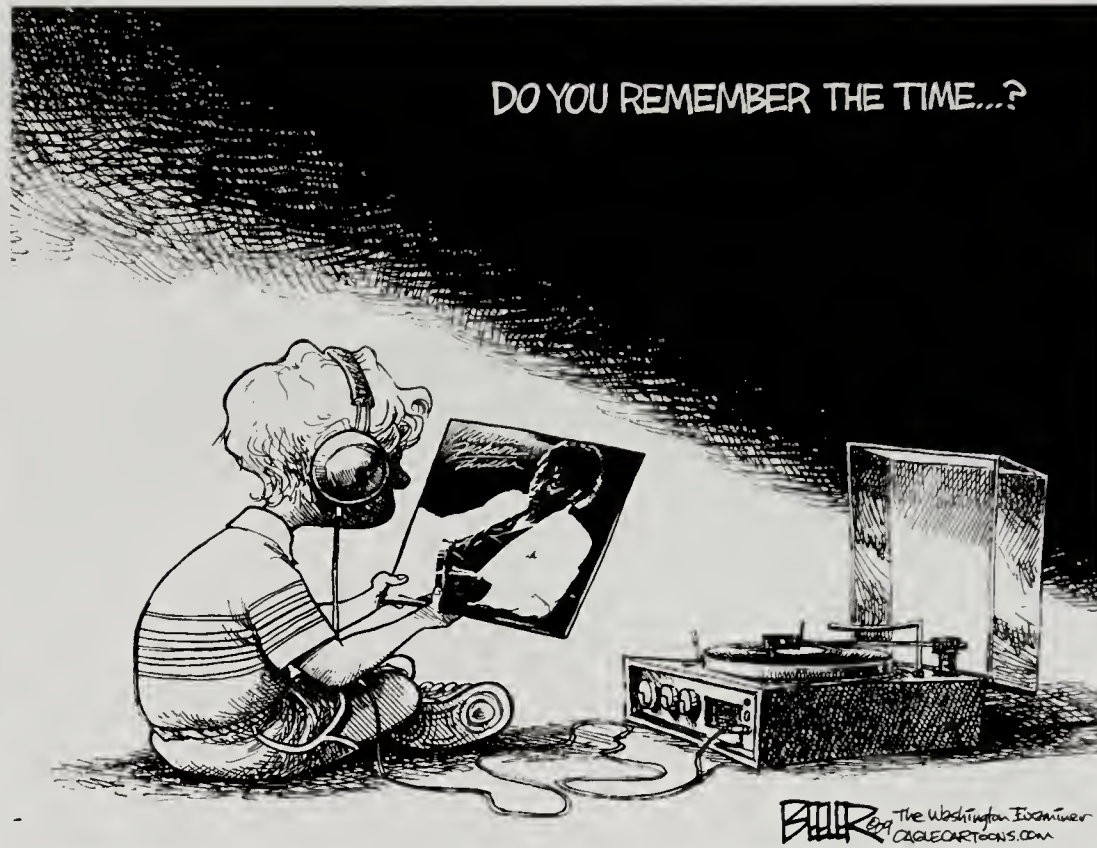
Personally, I have been involved or been witness to many instances where people have tried to demonstrate this sense of entitlement to respect. I was once walking down the street to a friend's house, when someone in a car passed by and whistled at me. I kept on walking, only to realize that the person in the car had circled around the block and began following me. The man started spewing lewd comments toward me, and once he realized I was not interested in what he had to say, he stated that I wasn't giving him the respect he deserved. Thankfully, the situation ended with the man driving away and me arriving safely at my friend's house.

To me, respect is earned, not given away like a free kitten at an animal shelter. A person with a temper that keeps their cool in a situation, that garners respect. A person working hard at their job and still shows up to school and still puts in their all, that deserves respect. Someone who has a gun but chooses not to use it just because someone called them a name; that earns respect.

Personally, I can care less if a person thinks they deserve respect because they have a gun, are in a gang, sells drugs, or live the lifestyle of a gangster. In reality, that just makes them pathetic to me, and I will treat them as such.

I do not state that everyone in Northwest Indiana acts this way, but it would be a bold-faced lie for me to say that there aren't some of those people out there; and everyone has met a person with that sense of entitlement to respect before. It's a sad realization that we have to come to, to put up with, and sometimes it makes a person lose all faith in humanity. While it is hard to be the bigger person, to ignore the ignorance around you, just remember that those tiny actions are the ones that earn you the respect that you deserve.

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Dorm debate

The issue: "Phase II" is near completion

Our opinion: With more dorms come more responsibilities

With the University Village Phase II nearing completion, PUC will have a potential capacity of 369 residents provide housing for on campus. With this increase of on campus students, there is an increase in the need for student services on campus, including transportation, food services and police security.

On March 9th, PUC decided to downgrade the Peregrine Express shuttle bus to a seven passenger van. With the increase in on-campus students, PUC might want to wipe the dust off the shuttle bus and bring it back for students living in the Phase II. If PUC decides not to bring back the shuttle bus for urban locations, a second van might be necessary.

If new dorm students decide they would like to eat on campus by PUC catering, than Chartwells

is their only option. Unfortunately Chartwells has decreased their hours within the last year.

Now would be the best time to increase to cafeteria hours with an increase of people who live on campus, more students will depend on the cafeteria to provide their meals. Now that there is a Student Government on campus, it's in the best interest of the students to support this request.

When PUC wasn't able to compensate everyone's request for dorm rooms, many potential on campus students were sent over to the Mansards Apartment complex in Griffith. It might be the best interest to let them be the first people to apply for dorm rooms if they are still interested in living on campus, now that there are more available spots for them.

With a new University Village,

there are more places for the University Police to watch. While it's easy to say more police is needed, it's still a matter of budget, meaning it's up to the state to determine if PUC should be given money for more police.

Chief of Police, Anthony Martin has looked in to using alternatives in patrol patterns on campus. Martin seems to understand the fact, once people move into Phase II, there will more likely be an increase in calls ranging from "I locked my keys in the dorm room," to "I have a domestic disturbance."

When Phase II is completed and students move in, PUC needs to make sure they are receiving the same amount of student services the original University Village received.

Commentary?



**Adrian
Ramirez**
Production
Manager

So, my first day on the job and Nathyn, our beloved Editor-in-Chief says to me "You're being too lazy; write something in 500 words or less! Aaaaaand GO!" I was simply hired to be the guy who puts this paper into a pretty little package once a week - not to write - but, let's spitball here for a minute and see what sticks!

Hold on, let me check the word count. Ok, I still need 427 words.

Michael Jackson. (Apparently, my spellchecker says that is a sentence; who knew?) Yes, he was a great entertainer... in the eighties. And, yes, unfortunately he didn't make it to his eighties, but the outpouring of grief and anguish is too much for this re-faux-ter (that's a pun on the term "reporter," for those of you keeping score at home). It doesn't seem warranted or justified. Granted, he was a human being and he was famous, but unless you actually knew him (and not in the colloquial way of "knowing" either - but chances of that are slim as well), it is simply not justified to be talking to a news reporter with tears streaming down your face while you are hyperventilating about how much you are going to miss the "King of Pop." While we're on the subject I'd normally say how much this particular moniker irked me, but anytime someone shows that *they're on fire for Pepsi to that degree*, I'll let it slide.

There are far too many other people who die everyday that deserve your adulation over a popular singer. Just the week before, the inventor of that vibrating mattress you find in seedy motels died from a brain hemorrhage, most likely caused by sleeping on one of those beds for too long, but that is beside the point. The point is that people who touch your lives directly on a more consistent basis die every day and hardly anyone raises an eyebrow or sheds a tear at that loss. At the moment, I'm bawling my eyes out over the loss of Joseph "Magic Fingers" Houghtaling.

I understand that it is a sad event when anyone passes away, but it seems to me a bit disturbing and one step below obsession when people react this way to the passing of a celebrity. However, has everyone suddenly forgotten about the last 15 years of this man's life? I heard once that it doesn't matter how you start your life, but rather how you end it that is important, and while I don't necessarily believe every single charge against Michael Jackson, some of that is bound to be true. On the day he dies, everyone forgets about the child molestation allegations, the plastic surgery and that time he hung his son like a yo-yo from a balcony. Let's not forget all the crotch-grabbing over the years.

Yeah. Let's mourn this guy's passing like he was a close, personal friend.

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233 Cheers for Independence: This Year's July 4th Celebrations

Maria Gonzalez
Staff Writer

It's that time of year again. Families are grilling, kids laughing, parades passing by and yes, the fireworks are blasting in the sky. That's right, Fourth of July celebrations. There is so much to do on this day of celebration regardless of where you live. Hence, if you are not sure where the action and celebration is here are the special events happening for our Independence Day.

In **Hammond** July 4, located at the Harrison Park (Hohman Avenue and Waltham Street) there will be food vendors, a patriotic music concert beginning at 5:15 p.m., and a naturalization ceremony at 6 p.m. After the ceremony, the fireworks are unleashed.

Highland's celebration is a bit longer. At Main Square Park there will be a festival starting July 1 thru July 5. Food, games, rides, music and arts and crafts will be some of the attractions at this celebration. July 3 there will be a Citizen's Financial Mile Race. The race is for all ages and begins 6:30 p.m. on 40th Street and Kennedy Avenue. July 4 there will be a fireworks show at the Homestead



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Park at 9 p.m.

Crown Point will be starting their parade July 4 at 2 p.m. beginning at Taft Jr. HS and traveling North on Main St. Independence Day fireworks will start at 9:30 p.m. located at the Lake County Fairgrounds.

Cedar Lake will be holding a Summerfest on July 2 through July 5. July 2, the fest will have plenty of activities for senior citizens, located at Hanover Central HS (10120 W. 133rd Avenue). There will be a cookout at the town grounds. July 3 there will be a trib-

ute to Miley Cyrus, food, bingo, etc. July 4, there will be registration for a cardboard boat race. The boat race and fireworks takes place at the lakefront.

"**Gary, Indiana...Where We Are Doing Great Things!**" is the theme for this year's Fourth of July parade July 4. The parade will travel north on Broadway Avenue from 21st Avenue to 5th Avenue beginning at 9 a.m. Just about every park in Gary will have fireworks.

East Chicago will hold their Independence Day celebration

July 2 at East Chicago Marina located at 3301 Aldis Avenue on the boardwalk. The celebration includes music, food, fun and fireworks for the whole family to enjoy.

Munster, Independence Day festivities are located at Centennial Park July 3. The Northwest Indiana Symphony will perform, along with fireworks at 9:15 p.m. July 4. The traditional parade will commence at 2 p.m. at Fisher Street and Calumet Avenue.

Merrillville will hold their fireworks show at Hidden Lake

Park on July 3 and 4. The celebration will feature live entertainment, food vendors, a carnival and fireworks at 9 p.m. The parade is July 4, starting at 53rd to 64th and Broadway at 11 a.m.

Don't miss out. Come and join in the fun this week!

For more information about the Independence Day celebrations, go to <http://www.panoramano.com/Festivals>.



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Blockbuster Sequel: All Action, No Plot

LeAnne Munoz
Entertainment Editor

It is often said that movie sequels are never as good as the originals, and in the case of "Transformers 2: Revenge of the Fallen," that sentiment rings true.

This film is action-packed to say the least, with gargantuan explosions and enormous robots chasing one another like an intergalactic game of tag at every twist and turn.

The sound of explosions, people screaming and metal crashing into one another fill the audience's ears up to the brim, causing more than a slight decrease in hearing once they walk out of the theater.

The story picks up two years after the discovery of the Autobots, Decepticons and Megan Fox.

The film opens with the usual and oh-so-important back story that the first film fails to mention: that the Transformers have been with us since 17,000 B.C, causing a huge war with humans for the claim to Earth. During this war, a key and a giant weapon of mass destruction (Oh there it is!) was hidden.

Cut to present day, where the Optimus Prime, the leader of the Autobots, and all robots who follow him are helping a secret section of the government to find and

destroy the last remaining Decepticons to no avail.

The Decepticons now receive their orders from a new villain, The Fallen, who sends his minions down to earth in order to revive Megatron, kill Optimus Prime, find the key and get to the weapon.

Unfortunately, the only thing standing in the way of this omnipotent power is our hero from the first film, Sam Witwicky (Shia LaBeouf). Sam is now on his way to college, trying to be like any other teenager who hasn't discovered an alien race of transforming automobiles.

After having unintentionally brought a piece of the Allspark home with him, Sam is "imprinted" with images of strange Autobot hieroglyphics, which cause him to freak out at any given notice and read at an abnormally fast pace. The problem occurs when the Decepticons realize the information Sam has, and know that they must kill him for what he knows.

Unfortunately, what this film lacks is a well-executed plot line; as soon as it starts taking off and getting good, a loud and violent action scene is wedged in between the audience and the story, causing them to forget that they aren't just watching random violence. And while there is nothing wrong

with action sequences, there is so much going on within the movie, and so many robots to keep track of, it is hard to figure out which robot is fighting which.

The acting within this film was mediocre at best, with hardly any development from any of the old or new characters. Sam as playing the same old, sometimes humorous rebel turned hero, Mikaela (Megan Fox) as playing the pretty lady in tight shorts, and the Transformers playing hunks of metal without a real back-story. When violence is not ensuing, most of the film is played for laughs, adding in much more raunchy and harsh language based humor than the PG-13 rating should be allowed to handle.

This movie is going to be making a lot of money, will probably be hailed as one of the best movies in quite awhile, and is going to make many Paramount studio executives set for life, because no matter what a review says, everyone is going to go see this film. But while you are buttering up your popcorn, enjoying the previews, or listening to the deafening sounds of robots killing one another, just remember that sequels and prequels only seem to get worse, and it will probably only be a few more years until "Transformers 3."

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2009 Taste of Chicago Preview

LeAnne Munoz
Entertainment Editor

Every year, the city of Chicago hosts its annual Taste of Chicago, and every year, people from all across the states make their way to the event, hoping to be entertained with music, fun, and new and unusual foods to taste.

This year will be no exception. Beginning on June 26 and ending on July 5, there will be many different food booths to satisfy all hunger pangs, from the yummy food at Connie's Pizza and Chicago Joe's, to the even yum-mier desserts as Eli's Cheesecake and Mazon's Italian Ice.

When walking around in the lively atmosphere, many people may not stop and think about how the Taste of Chicago started, and how it helped to open the eyes and taste buds of all who attend.

In 1980, an ambitious restaurant owner named Arnie Morton approached Mayor Jane Byrne with the idea of a food festival that would run on the Fourth of July to feature small portions of food from some of the city's finest restaurants. The Mayor agreed, and with a budget of \$150,000, and the hopes that at least 75,000 would attend, the Taste of Chicago was born.

The one-day event, which only spanned three blocks of North Michigan Avenue, surpassed its attendance expectations by over 175,000 people. In 1981, the Taste of Chicago was moved to Grant Park, where it has been going strong for the last 29 years. Now, more than 70 restaurants from the

Chicagoland area set up shop during this now 10 day, family-oriented festival, which was dubbed by Mayor Richard M. Daley as, "America's City Picnic."

While admission to the Taste of Chicago is free, food and beverages can be purchased with tickets only. These tickets are sold at the festival in strips of 12 for \$8, which includes a \$2 surcharge that contributes to event amenities such as clean up, security, and recycling.

More than 200 different food items are available at different vendor locations, all across Grant Park, with no food item costing more than 10 tickets. Smaller samples of many restaurants' main items, known as "Taste of Portions," are available for 1-4 tickets.

Food is not the only item on the Taste of Chicago's menu. There are many fun and entertaining events that play throughout the event. For sports and fitness fans, the Taste of Chicago offers a Sports Pavilion, which offers meet and greets with Olympians, as well as fun workouts. For people who enjoy reading and trying out new recipes, the festival offers a chance to get cookbooks signed by authors. For families, the fireworks on July 3rd, which is accompanied by the 85th Army Band, is a nice way to spend time together and enjoy a fireworks show to remember.

So if you want to try new and interesting food, enjoy old favorites, or just take pleasure in the fun and interesting atmosphere, the Taste of Chicago is delicious way to enjoy summer.



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Must See Viral Videos

Nathyn Gibson Editor in Chief

Ringo Wants to Sing More (Music Video)
<http://www.collegehumor.com/video:1913069>



In a parody of the classic Beatles song "Octopuses Garden," College Humor creates a song about Ringo Starr wanting a more creative role in the band. The music and singing is pretty accurate with the original song.

WoW Freakout

<http://www.collegehumor.com/video:1915521>



Over 2 million people in the U.S. play World of Warcraft. Apparently it is so addictive that when it's taken away from certain WoW members, this reaction may occurred.

Bathroom Pep Talk

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xqz_k16jAgg



This video has it all; Love, hate, vampires, and a jive talking friend. It might be a little hard to understand this video the first time around, but once you watch it again, it's still quite odd.

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Jackson

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said Alexander. "Jackson knew where he came from and that's why people came out to pay tribute to him."

Cecilia Rivera, a junior in political science said she went to the house to pay respect to the icon who was a inspiration to some of her favorite artist.

"Michael Jackson's was Gary's pride," said Rivera.

Alberta Dequin for Dekalb, Ill, visited the house as she passed through Gary on the way to Michigan for a family reunion. When she used to teach in the 1970's, she remembered her pupils and her children teaching her Michael Jackson. She said she appreciated his "marvelous" talent, even though she belongs to an "older generation"

Brent Nelson from Chicago traveled to Gary to pay tribute to "the greatest entertainer to ever walk this Earth."

"I feel like part of me died," said Nelson

Delamontrail Allen from Gary said Jackson was his inspiration and kept him from getting involved with bad stuff.

"Michael Jackson set a way for everybody to get out of Gary and makes something of ourselves," said Allen.

Nelson, Allen and others led a

circle of spectators in dance to Michael Jackson songs blasting from a nearby car.

Gordon Keith, the original producer of the Jackson 5, made an appearance at the house Friday to show his respects. Keith recorded the first Jackson 5 record in 1967.

Keith said the Jackson 5 gave the community great pride in the community.

"You always feel about people that come from your neighborhood that did well," said Keith.

Keith was critical about the people that surrounded Jackson, including his father and his brothers, which gave him a massive amount of stress, possibly causing him to turn to drugs.

Along with his music, Jackson's life was plagued with strange behavior and allegation of child molestation.

"The allegations will pass [and] he was found not guilty for one of the allegations," said Robinson.

Donaldson said she was a great humanitarian, but it was over shadowed by the allegations.

"The allegations were the only blemish to his career," said John Collins. Collins also said he didn't believe the allegations.

University Village II Near Completion

Andrea Drac
Staff Writer

After over a year of construction, blood-boiling sweat, and tears, University Village II, an expansion to PUC's University Village, is nearing completion, and the new building will be opening its doors just in time for the fall 2009 semester.

"Construction for Phase II began in spring of 2008 and will conclude in the next few weeks," said Chanda R. Hott, Director of Housing & Residential Education for the University Village.

According to an April 22 2008 press release, University Village II is an L-shaped structure that has 99 furnished apartment units and is directly east of PUC's original University Village that also has apartment-style living. University Village II will feature apartment suites comprised of a living room, kitchen, private bedrooms and semi-private bathrooms. There will be 86 four-bedroom units, 12 two-bedroom units and a one bedroom unit for the assistant housing director.

University Village II is also built to accommodate numerous

students.

"Phase II has capacity for 369 residents," Hott said.

With University Village I filling up past capacity and having to put people on waiting lists, University Village II will now be able to alleviate that problem.

"Purdue University Calumet wanted to build Phase II to address the ever-growing demand for on-campus housing," Hott said.

The University Village II community is planning to be just like the community for the original University Village.

"Phase II will provide many of the same amenities for residents of The University Village community as has Phase I over the last four years," Hott said. "The Housing and Residential Education staff will host many educational and social events in the different meeting spaces. We also provide tours to prospective students, parents, and guests. On occasion, student organizations have requested to use meeting spaces for events or meetings."

Building the University Village has been cited as important to the students who want to experience living on a college campus.

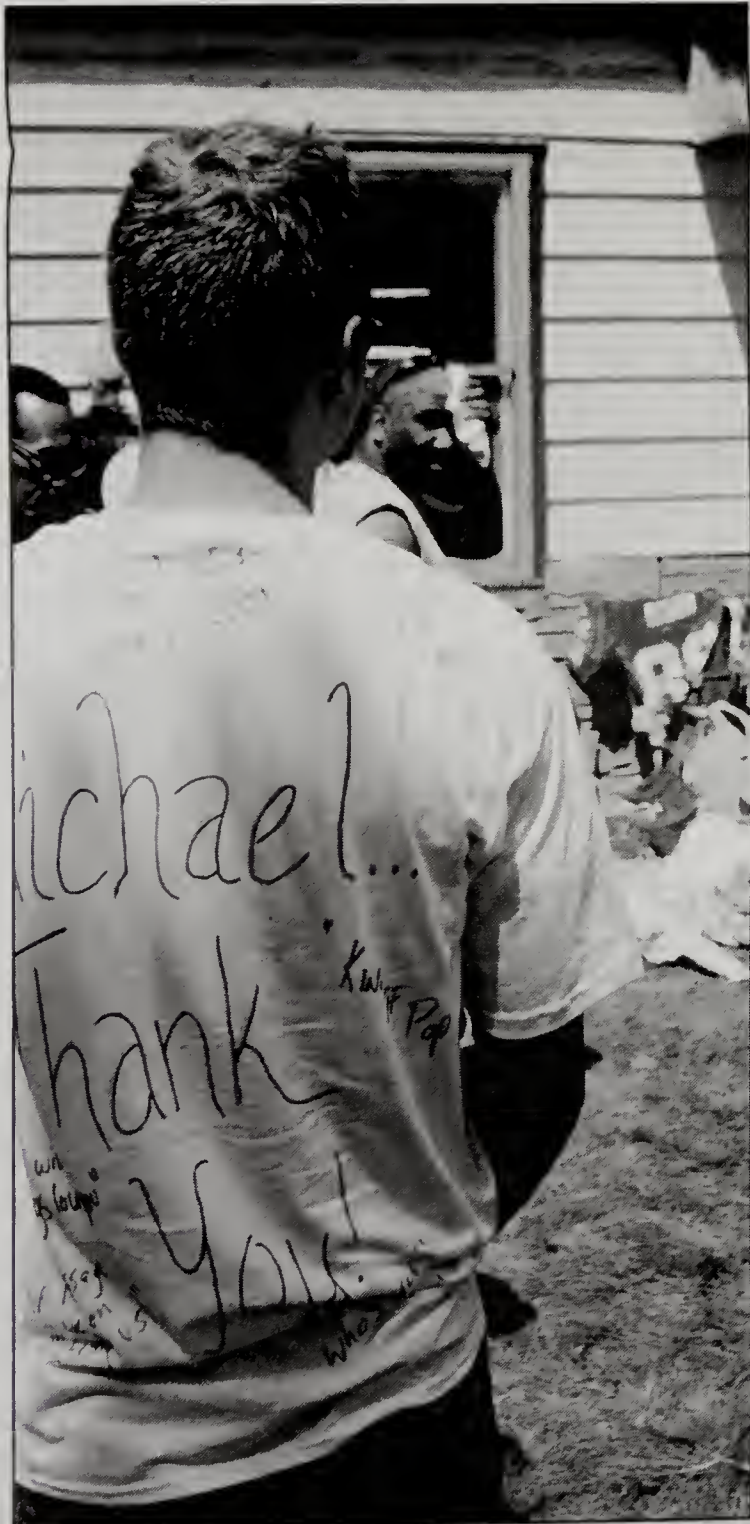
"The University Village community presents a great opportunity for students to stay close to home, but still have the experience of living on a college campus," Hott said.

However, University Village is not just there to accommodate PUC's local students.

"The growing number of international students who attend Purdue Calumet make this new structure critical," Chancellor Howard Cohen said in the April press release.

Officials say student housing has greatly benefited PUC.

"For the past three years, the overflowing demand for student housing has contributed to the growth and development of a vibrant campus," Melinda Dalgarn, Vice-Chancellor for Student Affairs, stated in the press release. "Student housing has transformed our campus in new and exciting ways. University Village II will provide us with necessary accommodations to meet the needs and expectations of students who, whether near or far, desire to earn a degree at Purdue Calumet."



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Brent Nelson (in the foreground) traveled to Gary to pay tribute to "the greatest entertainer to ever walk this Earth...he innovated everything from music videos to [pop culture]."

Goals Reached for Relay for Life

Casey Brandon
Sports Editor

Participation was strong despite a rainy start for festivities at the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life event held at Lake County Fairgrounds.

"Turnout this year was better than previous years at the start of the relay, but after the rain started some people did end up leaving," said Bradley Stevenson of the American Cancer Society.

Over \$9,500 total funds were raised by PUC's Relay for Life team out of a goal of \$10,000. Michelle Grant, Director of Academic Facilities and Management at PUC, indicated at the time of the event that she was hopeful the goal would be reached considering fundraising was still taking place throughout the night.

PUC qualifies for the gold team award with the amount of money raised. They were just one of three participating relay teams to earn the award.

Stevenson confirmed that PUC's over all amount raised would exceed \$10,000 once all donations were counted.

Most of the PUC relay team, consisting of staff and students, had their lives touched by cancer. Lisa Calhoun, part of the wait staff for Chartwells at The Center, has a

daughter who is currently fighting the disease.

Relay member Lorain Fiordelisi, Director for Career Student Services, has a son who is a two time survivor of Hodgkin's disease. Fiordelisi has been actively involved with cancer research fundraising for 25 years. She takes part in Candle Lighters events for children with cancer.

"This is a real up beat thing, but at the same time, it's a real emotional thing," said Fiordelisi.

Other team members, such as Nancy Pacheco, a sophomore majoring in biology, are not directly touched by the disease, but were

willing to come out and serve the community. Alpha Psi Lambda, the sorority that Pacheco belongs to, had members on the relay team.

"We're trying to give back to the community. We see campus and the surrounding area as one community and we're just trying to make it better," said Alpha Psi Lambda member Isabel Sanchez, a sophomore majoring in nursing.

Stevenson reported that the American Cancer Society would beat their planned amount of \$114,000 for fundraising when all donations were counted with a total of \$117,000.

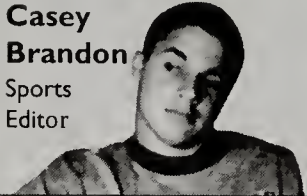


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Team Purdue University Calumet walks during the Relay for Life

If you build it, they MIGHT come?

Casey Brandon
Sports Editor



This just in: PUC gets land donation. New details: PUC wants to add more sports.

There are big plans for the land donated with talks of baseball and soft ball diamonds. What has the world come to?

Wasn't there a movie made sometime in 1989 describing something like this scenario?

I wonder if any one in the athletic department was walking the corridors of the fitness center when a voice came from the heavens.

"You, PUC athletic person, acquire land and they will come," says the heavenly voice.

It might have happened this way. Nothing should be ruled out. If it did happen this way, the heavenly voice is referring to fans. Fans are what have been distinctly missing from PUC sports games.

But with the addition of Phase II, PUC might be able to attract the fan base that has, for stretches of time, been missing. It is no secret that people who live in Lowell, East Side Chicago, or Hobart probably are not going to come out to cheer on the team.

Maybe if the Peregrines won the conference in basketball every year and did well at the NAIA division two tournament, there would be a consistent fan base. That's not realistic. Nobody is that consistent.

But now with the additions of dorms, new sports teams in the future, and add new facilities in to the proposition, PUC very well might have a perfect storm.

The ingredients might be here, finally, for school spirit, or for that matter, attendance to pick up at sporting events.

With the prospect of roughly 800 students staying on the campus, they all can not hate sports. Even if they did, the heavenly voice might choose to intervene here as well. Cross your fingers please.

Imagine the future: students already on campus flock to watch basketball, baseball, soccer, tennis, volleyball, golf, and cross country. It would almost feel like West Lafayette or Southbend, but at this school. Would this be because school spirit has been found; or just that many on-campus residents need something to do?

Honestly, only the heavens know.

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Major League Baseball Scores as of June 28, 2009

American League

East	W	L
Boston	46	29
New York	42	32
Tampa Bay	42	35
Toronto	41	36
Baltimore	34	41
Central		
Detroit	42	33
Minnesota	39	38
Chicago	37	38
Kansas City	32	42
Cleveland	31	46
West		
Los Angeles	41	32
Texas	40	33
Seattle	39	36
Oakland	31	43

National League

East	W	L
Philadelphia	39	34
New York	37	36
Florida	38	39
Atlanta	35	40
Washington	22	51
Central		
Milwaukee	40	35
St. Louise	41	36
Cincinnati	37	37
Chicago	35	37
Houston	35	38
Pittsburgh	35	40
West		
Los Angeles	48	28
San Francisco	40	34
Colorado	40	35
San Diego	32	41
Arizona	30	46

Intermural Fishing Stats and Scores

Number of fish caught		Biggest fish by length	
Angie Pinta - 12		X	
Ian Hernandez - 4		X	
Alek Shmagranoff - 3		21" walleye	
Robin Wu - 2		X	
Harvey Finch - 1		X	
Joe Sturonas - 1		X	
Dave Fanno - 1		X	
Matt Dudzik - 1		X	
Six that have 0 catches		X	

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Number of people that fished	6	11	10	9
Number of fish caught	13	7	1	4
Location	Wolf Lake (T-pier)	Wolf Lake (T-pier)	Wolf Lake (T-pier)	Wolf Lake (T-pier)
Weather	Cold (low 40's)	Cold (mid 40's)	Light to pouring rain the entire time (upper 60's)	Upper 80's

Pro Sports Notebook

Baseball

The largest crowd this year at U.S. Cellular field saw White Sox win in the Cross Town Classic against the Cubs by a score of 6-0. White Sox hitters got to Cubs pitcher Carlos Zambrano early, while Sox pitcher John Danks kept a zero on the board. Sox out fielder Jermaine Dye added his team leading 18th home run in eighth inning.

Soccer

Brazil achieved a come-from-behind victory against U.S. Men's soccer team in final for Confederations cup in South Africa. Clint Dempsey and Landon Donovan scored to put U.S. Men's team up, only to have Brazil score three times in the second half. The U.S. had previously beat Spain and Egypt.

Nascar

19-year-old rookie Joey Logano won the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series in Loudon N.H. The victory makes him the first teenager to win on the NASCAR Circuit.

NBA

After being traded to the Cleveland Cavaliers, Center Shaquille O'Neal has chose to sport 33 on his jersey, a number he wore in high school, and LSU. When he played professionally, he sported the number with Orlando, Miami and Phoenix

In the 2009 NBA draft, The Bulls drafted power forwards James Johnson and Taj Gibson in the first round. Johnson is 6'8" and came from Wake Forest while Gibson is 6'10 and came from USC.

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NATIONAL LAMPOON SPORTS MINUTE OR SO

Written by Steve Hofstetter, Keith Alberstadt, Ryan Murphy, and Chris Strait

Johnny Flynn has said he's the best guard in this year's NBA draft. Which is like being the best player on the Grizzlies.

Shaquille O'Neal has been traded to the Cleveland Cavaliers. The city is hoping that he can also help Jacobs Field look less empty.

LSU won the College World Series, and will now replace the Washington Nationals.

Michael Phelps is up for four ESPY nominations. Which is great, because an ESPY would make an awesome bong.

And U.S. soccer shocked the world by defeating Spain 2-0 to reach the final of the Confederations Cup. Of course, the real shocker is that an American radio show cares.

Washington Nationals president Stan Kasten recently referred to himself as a "village idiot." It's nice to know that someone on the Nationals finally won a title.

Magglio Ordonez has ended his homerun drought after cutting his hair. The Tigers outfielder hopes to improve his batting average by shaving his back.

The Los Angeles Clippers selected Blake Griffin with the number one pick in the NBA draft. The pick guarantees him a \$5 million salary and years of disappointment.

Derek Jeter was held out of the Yankees lineup after coming down with the flu. Which, considering how many women he's been with, is the best thing he could have.

And Cleveland Indians manager Eric Wedge has lost 25 pounds this season. Probably from throwing up after watching Indians games.

Gloria Estefan plans to purchase a small ownership stake in the Miami Dolphins. It's unclear when fans should begin demanding a refund.

The New York Mets have placed Carlos Beltran on the 15-day disabled list, giving them nine players on the DL. That's still a more productive line-up than the one they have playing.

The University of Florida has announced that its 2009-10 athletic budget will be \$89 million. The number is somewhat misleading, however, as \$59 million of that will go directly towards paying off NCAA officials.

President Barack Obama has agreed to throw out the first pitch before the Major League Baseball All-Star game at Busch Stadium. Just hearing the words "president" and "Busch" together again is starting to make us nauseous.

And Gisele Bundchen is reportedly pregnant with Tom Brady's child. If Brady can't make it to the delivery, perhaps Bill Belichick will tape it.

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Long time contributor gives large gift to PUC

Casey Brandon
Sports Editor

PUC's athletic department is looking to grow exponentially over next five years after a land donation. Crown Corr Inc. owned by Richard Pellar and Jolaine (Pellar) Boudart, gave the un-developed parcel of land named Pellar Park, to PUC in order to accommodate future sports.

The Pellars have been a long time contributor to the athletic scholarship fund at PUC. Last October Athletic Director Robert Bunnell contacted the Pellars to see if they would renew their funding, when the land donation first came up. PUC took possession of the land on December 30th of last year.

"It was actually pretty easy, there wasn't a lot of hammering to be done," Bunnell said.

PUC is looking to add 10 new

intercollegiate sports to the school's already two teams over the next five years. Some of the teams to be added are Men's and Women's soccer, men's baseball, women's softball.

Wes Lukoshus, the vice chancellor of advancement, states that a time line is not set in stone.

"The plan is over the next five years to develop the land. Funds still need to be raised, the current economy might slow down the five year timeline," Lukoshus said.

Other teams that could start as soon as the 2010-11 school year are women's volleyball, men's Golf, men and women's tennis, and men and women's cross country teams.

"We have it in our budget proposal, for the school year 2010-11, to add these sports. We're waiting for the State legislature to approve the funds needed to start," Bunnell said.

The athletic department would like to add tennis courts and a soccer field on the land currently sitting between the phase two dorms and the National Guard armory. If those facilities are created Bunnell stated, the soccer intramural and football intramural activities would likely be moved outside.

"In a best case scenario we would be playing soccer in our own facility by 2012-13 and baseball in our on facility by 2013-14," Bunnell said.

No set development plans have been made for the newly acquired land yet. Bunnell commented that he wanted to build a baseball field and soft ball field on the land, but did not know when the construction would start.

"It all depends on the economy and resources. Everything is tentative," Bunnell said.

EXPONENTIALLY
TO GROW

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SPORTS

Intramural life found on and off PUC during summer months

David Milanec
Staff Writer

Most college campuses are a ghost town during the summer months, and Purdue Calumet is no exception. There are few people wandering the halls during the summer, however, that does not mean that all signs of life disappear from the campus.

Summer intramural sports provide students, regardless of whether they're taking summer courses, with an opportunity to get together with other students and have a good time both on and off campus.

During the 2009 summer months there are three intramural sports being offered: volleyball, which is non-competitive, fishing, which is competitive, and horseshoes, which has been non-competitive thus far.

Intramural Fishing

Fishing is held on Tuesdays between 6:30-9 p.m. at Wolf Lake in Hammond. This is the second year that summer intramural fishing has been held at Wolf Lake. It's

also the fourth year overall that it has been offered, with the other two years taking place at Pastrick Marina in East Chicago.

The rules for the competition are no fish are counted before 6:30 p.m. or after 9 p.m. All competitors are allowed to have one fishing pole at a time, which can be changed, in use for competition purposes.

Competitors can use any type of bait or lure they wish to use, and all fish counted toward the competition standings must be seven inches or longer. The new size requirement is an increase from last year's rule of five inches in order to make the competition more of a challenge, according to Sports Coordinator Matt Dudzik.

Also no boats are allowed in the competition due to the lack of availability.

"If we had enough for everyone, we would definitely use boats. We do it this way to keep it fair," Dudzik said.

There are two categories of the fishing competition: Most Fish Caught Throughout and Biggest Fish Caught. Alek Shmagranoff, a

sophomore in mechanical engineering, leads the biggest fish caught with a 21 inch walleye.

"You don't always know when you're going to catch something. When you do, it's exciting. When they show up, it's good," said Shmagranoff.



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"This gives me an excuse to set up my pole," said Hernandez.

Shmagranoff had the biggest catch of the day, a 13.5 inch bass, and seemed to just be enjoying the fishing.

Of course, it's not all about the competition; just ask Ian Hernandez, a sophomore in visual communications.

"It's relaxing. I used to fish a lot when I was little. This gives me an excuse to set up my pole," said Hernandez.

Intramural Volleyball

Volleyball is held on Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. behind

cookouts in July and all students are welcome to join in at any time.

Most of the people that have showed up for the summer intramural Volleyball participated in the spring intramural Volleyball league. Dudzik thought that at least three-quarters of the people who were participating in the summer intramural had participated in the spring league.

The spring league consisted of 16 teams and held an awards banquet at the end of the semester, with the championship team receiving intramurals champion t-shirts. As many as 25 people have showed up for the summer intramural and ten dedicated players even showed up in the rain.

Intramural Horse Shoes

It's also the inaugural year for horseshoes as a summer intramural. Horseshoes has taken place in June on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Horseshoes has been open competition with no registration fee. On July 20th, there will be a horseshoes tournament with the possibility of adding more according to Dudzik.

the Fitness Center on the outdoor sand court. Started in 2003, summer intramural volleyball has no teams and no registration fees according to Dudzik, who also said that there is a possibility of an outdoor league for the summer of 2010. He also added there will be